



SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Florence 5 School District

Grades: PK-12

Enrollment: 1,526

Superintendent: Dr. A. Dale Strickland

Board Chair: Brad Hooks

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	Good	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2006	Average	Average	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	12	12	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Districts with Students like Ours are Districts with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PACT

PACT	2008 Reading % Basic and above	2008 Math % Basic and above	2008 Science % Basic and above	2008 Social Studies % Basic and above
District	74.7%	77.8%	64.1%	65.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	75.4%	75.8%	66.3%	69.8%
Average District	76.0%	76.0%	67.4%	71.3%

PACT	2008 Reading % Proficient & Advanced	2008 Math % Proficient & Advanced	2008 Science % Proficient & Advanced	2008 Social Studies % Proficient & Advanced
District	34.8%	36.6%	30.1%	28.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	36.3%	34.2%	34.2%	32.1%
Average District	37.6%	35.1%	36.4%	34.7%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtests (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	82.6%	9.9%	7.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	79.2%	11.0%	9.8%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2008 (%)

District	94.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	93.1%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	76.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	62.8%

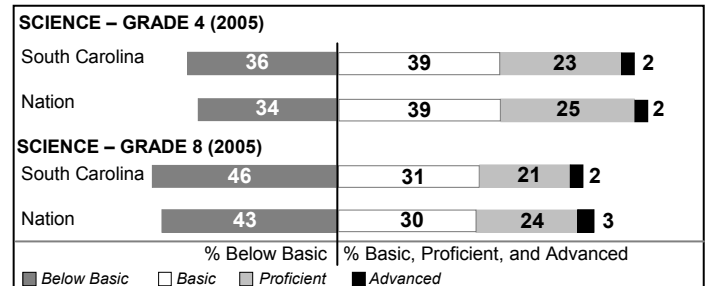
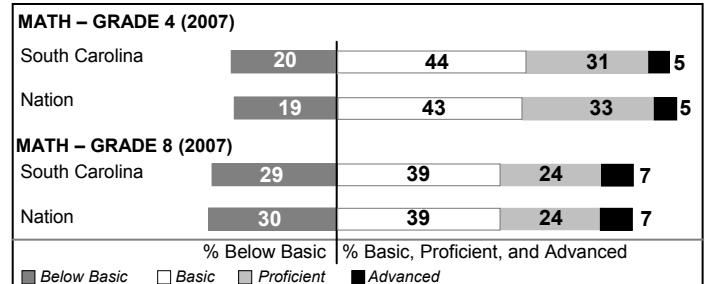
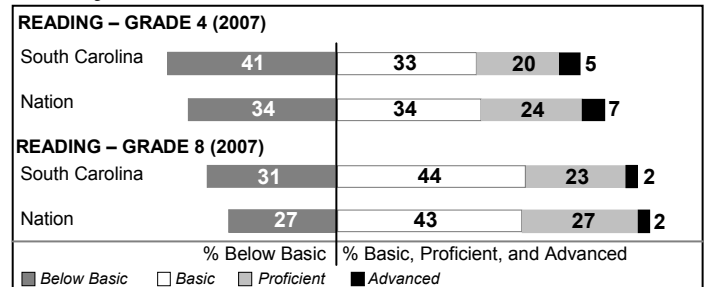
On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	79.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	76.8%

** Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

NAEP*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined
NI Newly Identified CDI Continuing District Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY District Improvement Status HOLD District Improvement Status

Florence 5 School District

DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=1,526)				
Retention rate	4.9%	Down from 6.3%	4.1%	4.0%
Attendance rate	95.9%	Up from 95.6%	95.5%	95.6%
Eligible for gifted and talented	14.9%	Up from 14.3%	12.2%	11.4%
With disabilities other than speech	15.6%	Up from 12.1%	11.4%	10.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.1%	Up from 0.0%	0.7%	0.8%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	25.1%	Up from 20.8%	9.5%	10.3%
Successful on AP/IB exams	58.5%	N/A	56.0%	56.0%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	29.3%	Down from 30.3%	30.8%	31.1%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	1	Down from 4	62	48
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	1	Down from 4	40	27
Annual dropout rate	3.1%	Down from 5.1%	3.8%	3.8%
Teachers (n=104)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	64.4%	Down from 65.3%	55.4%	54.8%
Continuing contract teachers	74.0%	Down from 90.1%	75.4%	73.9%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	3.1%	Up from 0.0%	3.7%	5.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.9%	Down from 93.1%	89.8%	88.8%
Teacher attendance rate	94.9%	Up from 94.3%	94.7%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$45,884	Up 1.7%	\$45,458	\$45,107
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.0%	No Change	0.5%	0.5%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 2.7%	2.1%	2.5%
District				
Superintendent's years at district	6.5	Up from 5.5	4.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.4 to 1	Up from 19.1 to 1	19.7 to 1	20.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.0%	Down from 87.9%	88.9%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$8,797	Down 1.6%	\$8,679	\$8,666
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	49.0%	Down from 50.1%	54.0%	53.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	51.1%	Down from 52.4%	57.4%	56.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	3	No Change	11	9
Portable classrooms	4.3%	Up from 2.7%	2.6%	4.3%
Average age in years of school facilities	28 Years	No Change	26 Years	26 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	3.0	No Change	11.0	8.0
Average administrator salary	\$75,391	Up 2.0%	\$76,003	\$76,032
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	71.4%		71.9%	69.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

A journey of a thousand miles begins with one step. The journey of academic excellence is one that we take seriously in Florence County School District Five. Although we have been on this journey for quite some time, we still have miles to go in the never-ending task of educating our children.

I am very proud of the academic success our schools have experienced. With the new accountability laws, we must strive to reach new and enduring levels of excellence. We welcome the challenges with excitement and anticipate great achievements. We know that we can and will excel as our students embark on this new era.

The report card will offer our community access to the important data relative to the Florence Five school district. We are available to discuss your comments or concerns about this report, and we invite you to visit our schools.

Much progress has been made due to the commitment and support of board members, teachers, district employees, students, parents, and citizens of the Johnsonville area. The future is bright, and we must continue to strive for excellence. Resources are limited, but our commitment to providing quality educational opportunities for all students is unlimited. Our challenge is to continue to be "The Pride of the Pee Dee."

A. Dale Strickland, Ed.D.
Superintendent

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